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Concrete Vibrators — Method of Test
(First Revision)

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FOREWORD

This Indian Standard (First Revision) was adopted by the Bureau of Indian Standards, after the draft finalized by the Construction Plant and Machinery Sectional Committee had been approved by the Mechanical Engineering Division Council.

In this standard an attempt has been made to arrive at a method of test for direct measurement of compacting characteristics of screed board concrete vibrators to assess their performance in terms of compaction of concrete. The vibration characteristics for screed board concrete vibrators are indicated in IS 2506 : 2022 which also recommends the methods for measuring these characteristics.

This standard was first published in 1973. This standard is being revised again to keep pace with the latest technological developments and international practices. In this revision, the standard has been brought into the latest style and format of Indian Standards, and references of Indian Standards, wherever applicable have been updated. BIS certification marking clause has been modified to align with the revised *Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 2016*. The following major modifications have been incorporated with revision of the standard.

- a) Clause 3 on provisions for principle of test has been modified; and
- b) Clause 5 on method of test has been updated as per the current best practices.

The composition of the committee responsible for the formulation of this standard is listed in Annex A.

In reporting the result of a test or analysis made in accordance with this standard, if the final value, observed or calculated, expressing the result of a test or analysis, shall be rounded off in accordance with IS 2 : 2022 'Rules for rounding off numerical values (*second revision*)'.

Indian Standard

PERFORMANCE OF SCREED BOARD CONCRETE VIBRATORS — METHOD OF TEST

*(First Revision)***1 SCOPE**

This Indian Standard covers the method of test for performance of screed board concrete vibrators in terms of compaction of concrete.

2 REFERENCES

The standards listed below contain provisions which through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this standard. At the time of publication, the editions indicated were valid. All standards are subject to revision and parties to agreement based on this standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the standards listed below:

<i>IS No.</i>	<i>Title</i>
IS 269 : 2015	Ordinary Portland Cement — Specification (<i>sixth revision</i>)
IS 383 : 2016	Coarse and fine aggregate for concrete — Specification (<i>third revision</i>)
IS 456 : 2000	Plain and reinforced concrete — Code of practice (<i>fourth revision</i>)
IS 2506 : 2022	General requirements for concrete vibrators, screed board type (<i>second revision</i>)

3 PRINCIPLE OF TEST

3.1 The vibrator, when tested in accordance with the procedure laid down in **5** for compaction of concrete, shall be capable of compacting fully in one pass of the screed board, a 180 mm thick cement concrete slab of M15 grade and having a workability of compacting factor 0.78 ± 0.01 laid over 75 mm thick stable base of fully hardened mix M30 grade.

3.2 The degree of compaction of slab shall be observed by measurement of density from top to bottom of nine 100 mm diameter cores cut from the compacted slab cured and hardened for 14 days. The slab shall be fully compacted, if the density of concrete anywhere on the depth of each of the core is not less than 95 percent of the maximum wet density of the mix as calculated theoretically (*see 5.4*) or determined experimentally (*see 5.4.1*).

4 MATERIALS

4.1 Cement shall conform to IS 269.

4.2 Aggregates shall conform to IS 383.

4.3 Concrete shall be prepared in accordance with the requirements of IS 456.

5 METHOD OF TEST

5.1 The base of M10 to M15 grade concrete suitable for the location, shall be laid and compacted to the required thickness to suit the overall dimensions of the test slab as indicated in Fig. 1. The base slab shall be cured for at least seven days and the test slab shall be laid on it after another seven days.

5.2 The forms shall be laid on the lean concrete base to the required thickness of the compacted test slab and to suit the dimensions given in Fig. 1. The concrete shall be laid evenly in the forms so that the surcharge above the top of the forms is between 25 mm to 30 mm (*see below given Note*). The vibrator shall be started and the vibrating beam shall be moved forward over the concrete surface at an approximate speed of 300 mm/min in steps equal to three fourth of the width of the vibrating beam and lifted on to the un-compacted concrete at each step along the length of slab. The slab shall be compacted by one pass of the vibrating beam as indicated. Compaction slab shall be suitably cured for seven days and the cores shall be cut for density determination after allowing the slab to mature for another seven days.

NOTE — It is essential to judge to correct surcharge at the start of the test, because for a concrete of given workability, the amount of compaction is related to the change in the level of the surface of concrete during the passage of the vibrator. Too small a surcharge (that is too small a height of the concrete above the level of the tops of the forms before compaction) will result in poor compaction at the bottom of the slab, even though the surface is sealed and the compaction at the top appears good. Too great a surcharge will cause concrete to pile up in front of the beam until it reduces the speed of the machine and ultimately stops its forward motion. Correct surcharge may be judged before the start of the experiment, by adding material until no more can be compacted into the finished thickness of the slab.

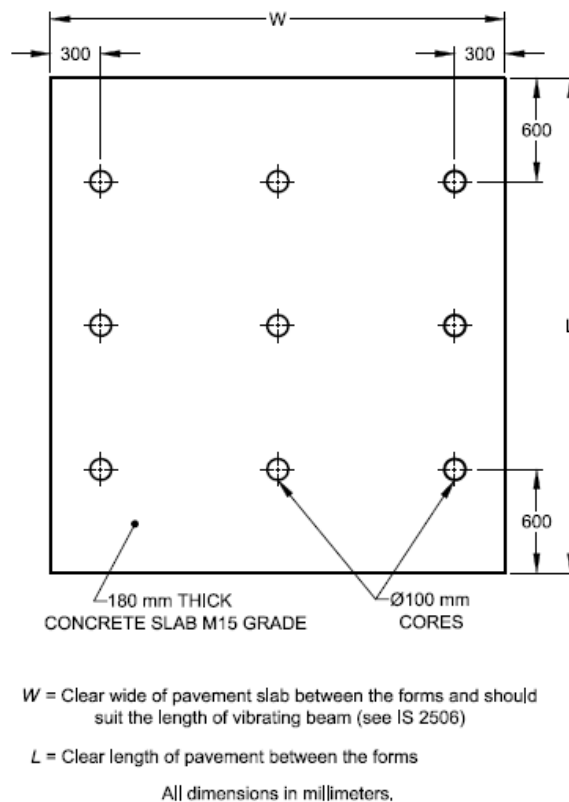


FIG. 1 DIAGRAM ILLUSTRATING THE POSITION OF CORES TO BE CUT FROM CONCRETE SLAB

5.3 Nine cores of 100 mm diameter shall be drilled from the full depth of the hardened concrete as indicated in Fig. 1 and each core shall be sliced into sections about 45 mm thick. These sections shall be dried to constant weight to remove internal moisture, cooled in a desiccator and weighed. To determine the volume each section shall then be placed in molten paraffin wax and allowed to cool until the wax is in plastic condition. The excess wax shall be scraped off, leaving the surface voids filled and the concrete waterproofed. The wax covered section shall then be weighed in air and in water. From the weight and volume, the average dry density shall be determined for each slice.

5.4 Knowing the mix proportions of concrete and the specific gravities of different constituents, the theoretical maximum wet density of the freshly mixed concrete shall be determined from the following equation:

$$dc = \frac{(w + c + s + a) 1000}{\left(w + \frac{c}{S_o} + \frac{s}{S_s} + \frac{a}{S_a}\right) \frac{100}{100 - p}}$$

where

- dc = theoretical maximum wet density of concrete in kg/m^3 ;
- w = quantity of water in l;
- c = weight of cement in kg;
- s = weight of sand in kg;
- a = weight of coarse aggregate in kg;
- S_o = specific gravity of cement;
- S_s = specific gravity of sand;
- S_a = specific gravity of coarse aggregate; and
- p = permissible percentage of voids in concrete to be taken as 2 for the purpose of this test.

5.4.1 Alternatively maximum wet density may be obtained by filling cube or cylinder moulds with the concrete in shallow layers and applying table vibration for at least one minute to ensure the expulsion of all air. The weight of the compacted concrete divided by the volume will give the maximum wet density.

ANNEX A
(Foreword)

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